

GREAT SUFFERING IN FLOODED PARIS; WATERS ARE SUBSIDING



HOW TROOPS ARE PROVIDING RELIEF IN FLOODED PARIS.

STATEHOOD BILL SEVERE MEASURE

Cuts Off Public Lands From
Territories—Capitals Can
Be Moved Any Time.

CONSTITUTIONS CAN'T BE CHANGED

Washington, D. C., Feb. 1.—The statehood bill as introduced in the senate yesterday, is not nearly such a good measure for the two territories as the house measure.

The senate measure leaves out all lands of educational, penal and charitable purposes and also 2,000,000 acres to pay the debts of the territories' counties.

The constitutions are to be approved by the president and congress. If the president approves, and congress fails to disapprove at the first regular session, the states will be admitted.

A hundred constitutional delegates are allowed New Mexico and 52 for Arizona. Elections on the constitution and for state, county and legislative officers and two representatives to congress will be held in 1910.

The electors may at any time change the capitals from Santa Fe and Phoenix. The constitutions cannot be changed at any time without the approval of congress.

A hundred thousand dollars is provided for the elections in each territory.

ZELAYA QUILTS THE CAPITAL OF THE SISTER REPUBLIC.

Former President of Nicaragua Leaves the City of Mexico for His Chosen Home in Belgium.

City of Mexico, Feb. 1.—Jose Santos Zelaya, formerly president of Nicaragua, and who has been in this city since the last of December, left over the Mexican railway for Vera Cruz, from which port he will sail on February 4 in a Spanish steamer for Belgium.

Francisco Castro, who was minister to Mexico under the Zelayan government, and who resigned several weeks ago, left for Salina Cruz, where he will take a boat for a port in Salvador, going from there to Managua. He was accompanied by the secretary of Zelaya, who will arrange for members of Zelaya's family to leave Nicaragua at an early date for Brussels.

Zelaya refused to say anything to newspaper correspondents before leaving the City of Mexico, further than to state that Brussels was his destination.

THREE KILLED IN A DENVER AUTO WRECK

Denver, Colo., Feb. 1.—Identification was made early this morning of the bodies of two women who were with James A. Baker, of Cincinnati, and Russell A. Talbot, of New York, as guests of Morris Mayer when their automobile was struck by two street cars last night.

Both women and Baker were killed and Talbot was fatally injured. The women are Miss Virgil Cain and Mrs. William J. Keating, both of Denver. Miss Cain is said to be the fiancée of Mayer, who had arranged the party in honor of Baker and Talbot.

Mayer, who was driving the car at a terrific speed when the accident occurred, was thrown clear and was found hours afterwards wandering the streets, only slightly injured but half demented.

TOMB OF 160 MEN IS UNSEALED AT CHERRY

Cherry, Ill., Feb. 1.—The trap door of the seal over the main shaft of the St. Paul mine where 160 bodies of miners were killed in the explosion and fire last November, are still buried in the workings, was broken open this morning and preparations made to explore the mine and bring the bodies to the surface. Not a woman was present, only a few idle miners in addition to the mechanics and inspectors, being about the tipples.

Great Difficulty in Resuming Railway and Street Car Transportation.

Paris, France, Feb. 1.—The Seine fell steadily today at the rate of three-quarters of an inch an hour. More tramways are in operation as are new sections of the subway. Streets that have been closed to traffic were in many cases reopened and in the heart of the city, things have resumed a more normal appearance.

Soldiers in boats continue to give aid in the outskirts and inundated regions above and below the city where the greatest distress still prevails despite the magnificent efforts toward relief and the prodigious distribution of food supplies.

Hundreds of persons are found on the verge of starvation and thousands who lost everything must be aided for months.

It is estimated that more than a quarter of a million persons have been affected by the flood.

Freezing temperature adds to the misery of the unfortunate. An attempt to resume railroad service before the electric signal system had been restored has resulted in a dozen train collisions.

Shooting Down Robbers.

The killing of brigands who prey upon the helpless in the outskirts of the city continues. Last night a number of them were shot and four men and four women narrowly escaped being killed when they were robbing a house in Alfortville. They were using a raft.

TWO MEN KILLED DIGGING A WELL.

Cleburne, Tex., Feb. 1.—James Baker, aged 24, and Frank Hughes, aged 28, were killed at 4 o'clock this morning by the premature explosion at the bottom of a shaft 220 feet deep, which was being sunk at the water power station. Both are Ft. Worth men. Hughes leaves a wife at Blum.

MINERAL WELLS REFUSES TO HAVE NEGRO RESIDENT.

Weatherford, Tex., Feb. 1.—George Slaughter, a negro Baptist preacher, employed an attorney here to ascertain why he cannot reside at Mineral Wells. He claims the officers there ordered him to leave immediately. He is in bad health and claims he has a right to return there for his health's sake.

LOVE TO JOIN SOUTHWESTERN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Dallas, Tex., Feb. 1.—It is announced here today that T. B. Love, retiring bank and insurance commissioner of Texas, will become the active second vice president of the Southwestern Life Insurance company, with headquarters here, and that he will also be a director in the Dallas Trust and Savings bank.

SENATOR RESIGNS.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 1.—Hon. Fountain L. Thompson, recently appointed senator from North Dakota, has resigned on account of ill health and W. E. Purcell, of Wapletoon, has been appointed his successor. Mr. Purcell was sworn in this morning.

INSURGENTS SUPPORT TAFT

Officially Inform the President
That He Will Have
Their Backing.

INVESTIGATING STATE AFFAIRS

Washington, D. C., Feb. 1.—Republican insurgents in the house will support the administration program on the subjects of railroad legislation, conservation, postal savings banks and the anti-injunction.

A unanimous decision to do so was reached at a meeting last night. Representatives Gardner, of Massachusetts, and Hayes, of California, were authorized to so inform the president.

It is a conspicuous fact that the ship subsidy and federal incorporation recommendations of the president are not included in the list and it was stated by one insurgent that no attempt was made to reach an agreement on these subjects.

Probing State Affairs.

The house committee on expenditures of the state department met this morning upon request of representative Dies, of Texas. The committee is considering the advisability of conducting an investigation into the affairs of the state department somewhat similar to that now airing in the interior department. It was decided to hold a meeting next Monday, when officials of the state department, probably including secretary Knox, will be called upon for statements. Dies today said the Democrats will insist upon a thorough probe of the department's expenditures.

ARGUMENTS OPEN IN CARPENTER TRIAL

Jury Will Probably Receive
Judge's Charge Wednesday Noon.

District attorney W. D. Howe opened the argument for the state in the Carpenter murder trial this morning at 11 o'clock and finished summing up at 1 o'clock before the jury a few minutes before 12.

Don Jackson opened for the defense at 2 o'clock and was followed by W. H. Burges for the defense. Judge T. J. Heffer, of Pecos, follows for the prosecution and W. W. Turney will close for the defense. The closing argument of the trial will be made by Victor Moore of the prosecution.

It is possible that a night session will be held and the case will be given to the jury for consideration shortly before noon Wednesday.

Prior to the opening of argument this morning, Mrs. C. F. Thomason was called to the stand and identified objects placed about the Simpson ranch at the location of the killing. Miss Laro Blevins was then called for the third time and also identified several objects.

WEDNESDAY IS GROUNDHOG DAY; AN E-VENT

Has Little Effect On the Sunny West, However; But Back East...

Wednesday, February 2, is a legal holiday in the felt boot district of the middle west. It was made so by an equally felt foot legislature of the felt boot state in Ohio valley and it is celebrated with due pomp and ceremony each year. February 2 is ground hog day. Wednesday is ground hog day, therefore Wednesday is ground hog day. As the orators say, it is a most auspicious occasion. Auspicious because upon that day depends the weather for the ensuing six weeks, and it is an occasion because it occurs but once a year and anything that occurs but once a year is an occasion, be it a death, a circus parade or a Fourth of July procession.

Tomorrow morning, when the young sun is beginning to yawn and stretch its shadows westward, the ground hog will roll out of his warm, winter bed of leaves at the bottom of his hole, shake himself and appear in the big, outside world long enough to squint his little eye at the weather. Should the sun be shining, back he beats it to his winter retreat and for six long weeks the winter weather will continue. Should it be cloudy when M. G. Hog makes his debut for the season of 1910, all will be well with the weather. The weather will immediately grow warm as the chimney corner is warm, the ice and snow will disappear before the sun's slight touch of hand and enter spring, down stage right.

This all happens in the felt boot and fur cap district. The ground hog is an oracle of no small importance back there where six weeks' move of winter means taxing the capacity for suffering from the cold to the breaking point. Not so out here in the sunny southwest. The ground hog does not frequent these dig-

70 MEN MEET DEATH MINE

No Hope for Any of the Men
Caught in Explosion in
Colorado Mine.

THREE AMERICANS AMONG THE DEAD

Primero, Colo., Feb. 1.—Seventy-nine probably will be the death toll as a result of the explosion yesterday afternoon in the Primero coal mine of the Colorado Fuel & Iron company. Up to noon today 42 bodies, most of them terribly torn and burned, had been brought to the surface white, according to estimates of mine officials, made from the number of missing safety lamps, still 37 men, probably all dead, are somewhere in the caved-in workings.

The explosion occurred about 4:30 yesterday. With a terrific roar, a great volume of flame and smoke belched from the main shaft, which crumpled in, blocking the entrance and wrecking the air fans. Five men standing near the shaft were killed. It was three hours later before a rescue party could enter the mine.

The rescue found the bodies piled in heaps about the foot of the air shaft, where apparently they had fought and trampled upon one another in their frantic struggles for life.

Three bodies were sent up, then the rescuers were forced back to the open air. Another party equipped with oxygen helmets descended and the work of rescue was pushed with frantic haste.

Volunteers rushed to Primero from all adjoining camps, and as fast as one rescue party was exhausted others eagerly took up the work.

Most of the miners employed were Slavs, Hungarians and Italians, and but few Americans are among the missing. Dave Williams, pit boss, Jack Elias and James Rumlins, are the Americans included in the known dead.

The mine was badly wrecked by the explosion and fire which followed. The cause of the explosion was not ascertained, and it may be days before the last of the bodies is recovered.

The first rescue party found number seven shaft on fire, and succeeded in extinguishing it. Near the entry of shaft number eight, 14 bodies were found in a heap, and here in the midst of a pile of dead mules, Donacio Vergen was found alive, though badly hurt and his mind wandering. His survival was one of the most remarkable things of the accident.

Hope of rescuing any of the entombed miners alive grew dim as the morning wore away and a feeling of hopelessness settled down on the groups of women shivering in the cold around the mine shaft.

Government Experts Called.

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 1.—J. W. Paul and L. M. Jones, mining engineers connected with the local station of the geological survey, left here today for Primero, Colo., to aid in the work of rescue and make reports for the use of the government.

POLL TAX PAY- MENTS LARGE

Dallas County Leads in
Texas With Tarrant
County Second.

Fort Worth, Texas, Feb. 1.—Poll tax reports received from over the state today showing steadily increasing. The following increases are shown: Austin 7000, last year 6500; Liberty 1500, last year 1000; Cleburne 7000, last year 6500; Wichita Falls 2200, last year 1600. These represent both city and county tax.

Dallas Payments.

Dallas, Tex., Feb. 1.—Today's footing up of poll tax payments gives the county 20,500 voters, including exemptions. Dallas city has 14,000 with 3000 exemptions.

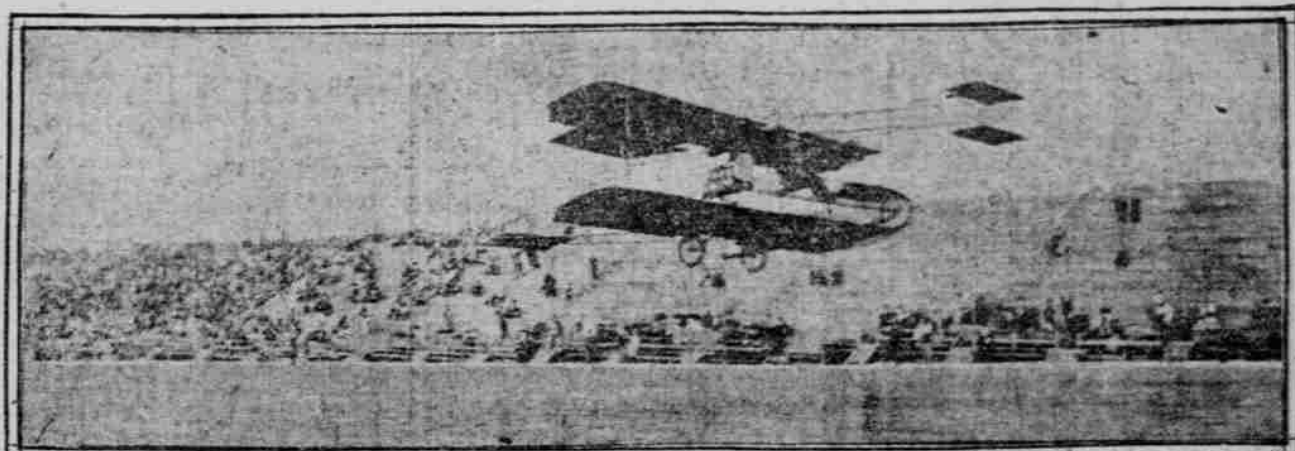
Tarrant County's Big List.

Fort Worth, Tex., Feb. 1.—Tarrant county poll tax payments exceed those of all other counties in the state except Dallas, according to the county assessor today, 15,500 being so far reported. Two substations are not yet counted.

WANTS NATIONAL COAL RESERVE.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 1.—The coal fields of Alaska just now so much under discussion throughout the country, are the subject of a bill introduced in the house by delegate Wickersham, of Alaska, providing that 15,000 acres of the best coal bearing lands in Alaska be set aside by the United States in perpetuity as a national coal reserve.

THE TWO MEN WHO MAY SOON DELIGHT EL PASO AUDIENCES



GLENN H. CURTISS IN FLIGHT AT LOS ANGELES.

DATES FOR THE FLYER ARE REACHED

Paulhan to Make Ascents in
El Paso Feb. 27-28 and
March 1.

DICK FERRIS IS NOW IN THE CITY

February 28, and March 1 and 2 are the tentative dates for the El Paso aviation meeting as fixed by the local promoters of the meeting. These dates are not definite and the time for the appearance of Paulhan here cannot be fixed until a message is received from the daring Frenchman who is now thrilling the people of Colorado at Denver.

At noon today but \$400 remained to be raised of the \$4000 bonus to be placed in a local bank as a guarantee of good faith before the contract for Paulhan's appearance here is signed. This amount is expected to be raised this afternoon and the fact wired Edwin Cleary, Paulhan's manager, who is now at Denver with his bird man.

Dates will be fixed by wire and an advertising campaign mapped out to cover the entire southwest, including Mexico, and railroad rates will be announced for the aviation week.

Ferris Goes to Meet Paulhan.

Dick Ferris, president of the Los Angeles aviation meeting, as full of airship talk as a political speaker is of a campaign, facts and figures, is at the Sheldon today. Mr. Ferris, accompanied by Mrs. Ferris, is on his way to New Orleans to meet Paulhan and his American manager and arrange for the appearance of the foreign aviator through Texas, including El Paso, and also for a series of flights by Paulhan at Mexico City and Havana. Ferris says Cleary is erratic and wants to take Paulhan for a trip through the north and east after he appears in New Orleans this month.

Wants to Keep Flyer in West.

This, Ferris thinks, is foolish and he is going to New Orleans to convince Cleary that it is. He says the people of the west and southwest are wild to see the Frenchman, whose name he pronounced as if it was spelled "Poonan." Ferris says it is cold and windy and disagreeable at this season in the north and east while Texas and the southwest is an ideal place to make flights and he is going to get the money. If he succeeds in getting Paulhan to see things that way, Ferris will arrange an itinerary for the aviator through Texas including meetings in Dallas, Fort Worth, San Antonio and El Paso.

Really Flies.

"Paulhan is the whole show," Ferris said today. "He flies when Curtiss and the others do not dare to fly. At Los Angeles he was the attraction and he flew in the air and does not rest along the ground and light at the end of the field. He flies like a real bird and he is the goods."

Wires Paulhan at Denver.

Ferris says he has wired Cleary at Denver, where Paulhan is flying today, and expects a definite answer today from Paulhan's manager. It was for this purpose that Ferris stopped off here on his way to New Orleans, where he expects to have a conference with Cleary about the proposed series of meetings through Texas, at Mexico City and in Havana. This was not Mr. Ferris's first visit to El Paso, for he was here as manager of the "Night Owl" company several years ago. He is a real Los Angeles brand of a hustler and talks airship, Los Angeles or business with equal alacrity.

The Money Now Raised.

The additional subscriptions that

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MONS. PAULHAN RISING IN THE AIR AT LOS ANGELES.

RAILROAD TO SURRENDERS; DURANGO IS ASSURED

S. P. Reincorporates All Its
Arizona and New Mexico
Lines in One.

NEW ROAD NORTH FROM MAIN LINE

Santa Fe, N. M., Feb. 1.—Forty million dollars is the capitalization of the consolidation of four subsidiary companies in Arizona, and two in New Mexico, of the Southern Pacific, for which incorporation papers were filed simultaneously at Santa Fe and Phoenix, Ariz., the corporation fees being \$3400, the largest ever paid in New Mexico by a single company.

The merging of these companies into the Colorado & Arizona means the immediate construction of a railroad from the Southern Pacific in Arizona to Durango, for which three surveys have been staked, the greater part running through western New Mexico, sixty-five miles of the new road are in Arizona and 345 miles in New Mexico.

A number of branch lines into Arizona mining camps are also to be built. The mileage of the six corporations merged is 1877 miles. The corporations are the Arizona Eastern Railroad company, the Gila Valley, Globe and Northern railway company, the Maricopa and Phoenix Railroad company, the Arizona and Colorado Railroad company, all of Arizona, and the Arizona and Colorado Eastern Railroad company, both of New Mexico.

The incorporators and directors are: Robert S. Lovett, president of the Southern Pacific; Epes Randolph, Eugene S. Ives, Charles E. Walker, M. A. Smith, Gibson Taylor, Benjamin Francis, of New York, bound for Jacksonville, Fla., is a total wreck near Cape Hatteras.

SCHOONER WRECKED; TEN MEN LOST

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 1.—The three masted schooner Frances, of New York, bound for Jacksonville, Fla., is a total wreck near Cape Hatteras.

Her crew of 10 is believed to have been lost in the terrific storm.

BELIEVES BROTHER MURDERED.

Fort Worth, Texas, Feb. 1.—C. E. Dronstadt arrived here from Clifton, Texas, today to aid the police in the search for his brother, Ovee Dronstadt, who disappeared early Monday. The brother believes Ovee, who is a well known collector, met with foul play.

CONTRACT LET FOR THE WEST TEXAS NORMAL

Austin, Tex., Feb. 1.—The board of education this afternoon awarded the contract for building the West Texas normal at Canyon City to Martin, Holderness and Oats, of Stamford. Their bid was \$39,000. A bond of \$44,500 was required of the contractors, which was made.

KILLING AT CLOVIS; SLAYER TAKEN AWAY

Clovis, N. M., Feb. 1.—Dann Lyons, age 19, son of J. D. Lyons, a capitalist of Amarillo, Texas, and owner of the big Antlers hotel of this city, was shot at 6 o'clock last night by Frank Latenux, a porter for the Reideria hotel, at the depot, just as the short train from Amarillo came in, and he died at 11 o'clock this morning. The trouble was over a quarrel as to soliciting patronage for their respective hotels here.

Both fought Saturday night and Lyons got the best of the deal.

There is high feeling against Latenux and he was taken from the city to avoid possible mob violence.

Lyons was shot three times and probably killed after he lay on the ground between the track and the walk, calling that he was dying.

The father and mother, of Lyons, arrived in a special train from Amarillo at 1 o'clock this morning. The body will be taken to Amarillo for burial.

A crowd will accompany the remains to the depot.

Advertises All Southwester's

From Knowles (N. M.) News.

The El Paso Herald, ever in the vanguard for the progress and development of the southwest, issued its annual summary of southwestern progress, in the form of a special number, called the Sky-scraper edition, a copy of which has reached this office.

Guard in Texas Penitentiary
Service Is Fourth Indicted
by Federal Court.

THE GRAND JURY PROBES CASES

Austin, Tex., Feb. 1.—Harland McLeod, a convict guard in Burleson county, voluntarily surrendered to the federal authorities in connection with the peonage cases, and is the fourth to be indicted following a rigid examination by the grand jury. Each defendant is now under \$5000 bond. All cases are to be set for trial on June 1. Others indicted are W. Sledge, of Houston; Joseph William Woods, and Robert Snowdon.

SILVER CITY GIRL ENDS HER LIFE

Silver City, N. M., Feb. 1.—Myrtle Fleming, daughter of a prominent cattleman, Mike Fleming, residing in Silver City, committed suicide last evening. It is supposed she took poison. She died in about an hour; cause unknown. She was aged about 18 years.

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